

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Roche is a leading international healthcare innovator with one of the world's most modern pharmaceutical research and process development facilities in Florence producing important active ingredients for life-saving medicines; and

WHEREAS, reaching the milestone of 100 years of operations in the United States, Roche and its employees, including approximately 300 in South Carolina, commemorate and renew their century-long commitment to enhancing the health, well-being, and quality of life of people in America and around the world; and

WHEREAS, over its 100-year history in America, Roche has pioneered medical, social, and environmental innovations, including novel diagnostics and important medications benefiting people with diabetes, heart disease, cancer, HIV/AIDS and hepatitis, the first corporate-sponsored child care center and pharmaceutical industry indigent patient program, and the early installation of technology to reduce energy consumption and the use of hybrid cars for its pharmaceutical sales fleet; and

WHEREAS, Roche contributes significantly to the economy, tax base, employment rate and public education system of the Palmetto State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 25, 2005, as

ROCHE U.S. 100TH ANNIVERSARY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join me in recognizing Roche U.S. for its many contributions to an improved quality of life for people and communities across our state and nation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA